

Attorney Docket No. 17564-145

SUPPLEMENTAL REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION BY THE INVENTOR PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.175

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is described and claimed in U.S. Patent No. 5,891,212, granted April 6, 1999, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled:

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MAKING UNIFORMLY SIZED AND SHAPED SPHERES

the specification of which:

was filed on April 6, 2001, as reissue application Serial No. 09/827,605, bearing Attorney Docket No. 17564-145, which is a reissue application of Serial No. 08/931,295 issued on September 16, 1997 as U.S. Patent 5,891,212, which is a continuation-in-part application of Serial No. 08/892,145 now abandoned.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

Every error in the patent which was corrected in the present reissue application, and is not covered by a prior oath/declaration submitted in this application, arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid by reason of the patentee claiming less than he had the right to claim in the patent.

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At least one error upon which reissue is based is described below.

The reissue application is a broadening reissue application. Claims 1 and 16 have been amended to more broadly recite the manner in which the stream of material is broken into spheres and to remove a step of passing of the spheres through an electric field. The amendments merely remove unnecessary limitations from claims 1 and 16. Support for these amendments to claims 1 and 16 is provided in the original disclosure.

All errors corrected in this reissue application arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant. As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorneys and/or agents to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this declaration is directed.

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